4318. Adulteration of confectionery. U. S. v. James A. McClurg & Sons, a corporation. Plea of guilty. Fine, \$5. (F. & D. No. 3242. I. S. No. 18340-c.)

On July 23, 1912, the United States attorney for the Southern District of New York, acting upon a report by the Secretary of Agriculture, filed in the District Court of the United States for said district an information against James A. McClurg & Sons, a corporation, New York, N. Y., alleging shipment by said company, in violation of the Food and Drugs Act, on January 21, 1911, from the State of New York into the District of Columbia, of a quantity of confectionery which was adulterated. The product was labeled: "144 Plymouth Rock Eggs Hard to Beat Specialties in Confections."

Analysis of a sample of the product by the Bureau of Chemistry of this department showed that it was coated with a mineral substance which was shown by chemical analysis to be talc.

Adulteration was alleged in the information for the reason that the article contained tale.

On December 22, 1915, the defendant company entered a plea of guilty to the information, and the court imposed a fine of \$5.

CARL VROOMAN, Acting Secretary of Agriculture.